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Tyler celebrates 2nd annual Earth Day all week

By CHRIS FULCHER
staff writer

Tyler celebrates its second annual Earth Day through Saturday. One year ago, Earth Day 1990 was celebrated on an international level.

Environmentally enthusiastic citizens can express their respect for the Earth in the Tyler Clean-Up and Beautification Campaign this week.

Mayor Smith P. Reynolds, Jr. has proclaimed Saturday Clean-Up and Beautification Day in the City of Tyler.

The celebration began Sunday at Bergfeld Park with Earth Day in the Park. The concert by four musical groups was designed to heighten

environmental awareness and to solicit volunteers for Saturday's campaign.

More than 2,000 businesses, civic organizations and churches have been asked to participate in this campaign.

Twenty public rights of way, four city parks and several unauthorized dumpsites are targeted for clean-up. The city will provide trash bags and mobile units to pick up all litter volunteer crews collected.

The Clean-up and Beautification Campaign includes three major components.

First, the City Sanitation Department declared "Residential Amnesty" this week with free curbside

pick-up for items not normally picked up.

Large items such as old furniture, old freezers, refrigerators and other appliances will be picked up on the curb.

The City offered amnesty for all residential items except toxic chemicals or other liquids. Pickup for garbage normally taken will continue on the regular schedule.

The Campaign includes the massive clean-up and beautification of public rights of way, city parks and unauthorized dumps Saturday. Citizens who wish to volunteer for placement at one of these sites should call TCBC Chairperson Lucy Masters at 534-0062.

The last part of the campaign is repainting the mural on Loop 323 near Robert E. Lee High School. Tyler artist Barbara Forzano has donated her talent to create an environmentally-oriented theme.

The scene will include silhouettes of people, plants, and animals living together in harmony. Art students from Robert E. Lee, John Tyler and T.K. Gorman high schools will volunteer to help paint the mural.

Last year in Tyler, 7,200 participants from businesses and civic organizations met at The University of Texas at Tyler campus to demonstrate their respect for the planet.

Activist: Greenpeace will save Earth

By CHRISTI MORRIS
staff writer

Greenpeace "Warriors of the Rainbow" activists will save the planet earth, Greenpeace spokesperson Deborah Howes told TJC students last Tuesday in Apache Room 4.

Greenpeace, a "non-profit organization that works internationally to pursue organizing and lobbying on environmental and disarmament issues," seeks to prevent the destruction of tropical rain forests, the greenhouse effect, nuclear power plants and to protect whales and other animals.

"There was a time when whales filled the oceans; in 1975 less than 5 percent of the whales that existed 100 years ago were still alive," Howes said.

She told how Greenpeace started literally "being in the way" of harpooners as Greenpeace members

put themselves between whales and whalers. The plan succeeded.

One member, Patti Hutchison, in 1981 secured herself with handcuffs to a Japanese harpoon, Howes said.

By 1988, only three of the original 17 whaling countries were still whaling, she said.

"We believe we may someday be able to communicate with whales. I only hope if we are ever wise enough to understand what they are saying they will be able to hear us," she said.

Howes described Greenpeace efforts to get rid of driftnet fishing which causes horrendous deaths to dolphins, one million untargeted marine mammals are caught every year.

More than 100,000 dolphins were killed in 1988 due to tuna fishing using driftnet, she said.

The three major tuna companies voluntarily agreed to label their

tuna which is dolphin-safe before a law came into effect requiring them to do so.

The 1992 Department of Energy budget designates 60 percent for nuclear weapons facilities. The United States has 168 nuclear freezones in the U.S., Howes said.

"A cold war still exists, and we are waging war on our own country as long as we are testing nuclear weapons in the U.S.," she said.

Greenpeace has not given up the fight against nuclear weapons and other nuclear-based technology. In 1987 Greenpeace activists blocked the arrival of nuclear armed warships in San Francisco, Vancouver, Brisbane, Australia and Palma, Spain. In 1983, 1986 and 1987 activists delayed the testing of nuclear weapons in Nevada.

Greenpeace is opposed to nuclear weapons because "we cannot use them without contaminating our-

selves and our allies," Howes said.

Howes also told students how hundreds of acres of rain forests are being burned each minute, taking away numerous animal and plants.

"There's an increase in global warming due to trees burning. This sets carbon off into the atmosphere. If you are burning toxics, you have toxic ash, and you are releasing these toxins into the atmosphere," she said.

Howes said Greenpeace believes in non-violent confrontation and bearing witness to injustices committed on the Earth. She quoted Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, who, in the 1960s, said, "It is our responsibility when we are aware of unjust laws to stand up, speak out and change those laws."

People interested in more information about Greenpeace may write to: Greenpeace Action, 1436 U St. NW, No. 201-A, Washington, D.C. 20009.

Thefts rise on campus

Now that the semester is winding down, the thieves are coming out of the woodwork, Campus Safety Coordinator Gene Carney said.

"Campus thefts are increasing," Carney said. "They do this every year because they think we can't catch them."

Carney said students should watch their books at all times. Students who live in dorms should mark their clothes and keep their doors locked.

"As the semester winds down, the intensity will pick up," Carney said. "Students should be aware of that."

Most thieves will be looking for small things they can sell, Carney said.

Student appears drugged, turns out to be diabetic

By LISA WARREN
editor

Students and faculty were amazed last week to see a young man who appeared to be on drugs as he threw things, cursed or spit as he lay on the wet grass in front of Potter Hall. They were further amazed to see two campus safety officers handcuff him and put him into their car.

What most thought was a person strung out on drugs, however, turned out to be a diabetic strung out by lack of insulin.

"On first sight, he was too strung out and very violent. Whenever we see someone out like that in this age of drugs, we expect the worst of that person," Campus Safety Coordinator Gene Carney said.

The student, who could only give

his first name, carried no other identification.

When he did not smell alcohol and saw the student's eyes were not fixed, Carney knew the problem must be medical and had a nurse check him out. Officers then took the young man to Medical Center emergency room, where he was diagnosed as a diabetic. He was immediately given an insulin shot.

"Almost 15 seconds after he got the shot, it was like night and day," Carney said. "He was coherent and very apologetic about his behavior. He was embarrassed over what he had done."

The trip to the hospital probably saved his life, Carney said.

The student's mother, who was later contacted, said his behavior in

front of Potter is typical of his behavior every time he does not have his insulin shot. She was glad he had been taken to the hospital, but was upset about the handcuffs.

"When people are like that, their strength increases," Carney said. "We were just trying to keep him from hurting himself, other students and the officers."

The student told officers he had apparently thrown his wallet at a passerby and dropped his books off in the garbage.

Sophomore Robert Jenkins, who saw him between Potter and the Vaughn Learning Library and Resource Center, said he saw the student throw his books down the stairs behind the library.

"It appeared he went to retrieve

them but, as he staggered back up, it was apparent there was something wrong with his mental or physical state," Jenkins said.

Campus safety officers are trained to look at these situations carefully before acting, Carney said.

"Everyone assumed he was on drugs, but he wasn't," Carney said. "Diabetics have insulin withdrawal. Epileptics have seizures. I've seen it before."

Students who encounter this type of situation should get immediate help and not assume they know what the problem is.

"Often we prejudge. Sometimes we need to look before we leap," Carney said. "That's what it's all about."

Although the student did not

have one, diabetic ID bands are very important, Sherry Warren, director of nurses at Doctors Memorial Hospital, said.

"When diabetics go into an insulin reaction or diabetic coma, they act as if they are drunk, which can get them into trouble," Warren said. "Also, if they are in a wreck or trauma situation, they are automatically hooked up to a sugar IV solution. If they have an ID band, the medical team knows not to do that."

When diabetics go into a reaction, they become disoriented. Wearing the band can save a life.

ID bands can be obtained from the American Diabetic Association or local drug store.

No charges were filed against the student.

Lack of information leads to wrong judgment

A situation on campus last week raises some questions about human assumption. A student, lying on wet grass in front of Potter Hall spitting, cursing and out of control, was cuffed by Campus Safety officers. After a quick check by the campus nurse, he was taken to Medical Center emergency and given an insulin shot. He was immediately better.

He is a diabetic.

Ask any one of the students who were on the scene what they thought the young man's problem was and the answer would have been simple — drugs.

Yet only one person called Campus Safety to get help. Everyone else was too busy watching the show.

True, things like this do not happen every day right outside the window of Math 101.

True, several people did try to ask him if he needed help. They were turned off by his hostile remarks.

True, the young man was not wearing an ID tag that read, "Help, I am a diabetic."

But no one even got close enough to look.

The student, however embarrassed he may be by his behavior that day, has taught everyone a lesson. It is not right for one person to watch another in trouble without giving, or getting, that person some help.

It does not matter if the student had been on drugs. He still would have needed help. Everyone standing around that day is guilty of not giving it.

If a situation like the one last week arises on campus, call 510-2263 for Campus Safety. They are trained to handle emergencies too complex or dangerous for an individual alone.

Sometimes it may be hard to confront what we do not understand. But understanding does not come from ignorance. It comes from knowledge.

Until that lesson is learned, the young diabetic cannot be considered as the one with a problem. That recognition goes to the students.

Tyler Junior College News

The Tyler Junior College News is published by journalism students weekly except during holidays and exams. Opinions expressed in the News are not necessarily those of staff adviser or administration. The News accepts letters to the editor from the college community for possible publication. Letters must be signed and include the writer's address and telephone number. Advertising and letters may be addressed to: TJC News P.O. Box 9020 Tyler, Texas, 75711. The editor reserves the right to select and edit letters in accordance with college policy, legal requirements and length.

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Washington humorist Russell draws laughter with political insight

By JOANNA TUCKER
staff writer

Mark Russell, billed as Washington's foremost non-partisan political humorist, drew laughter and nods of agreement from the standing-room-only audience at The University of Texas at Tyler Tuesday night.

An accomplished pianist, he played and sang his own lyrics on the red, white and blue piano that has become a Russell trademark.

To the tune "The Battle of New

Orleans," he sang of Iraqis "running through the desert and the sand."

In the original it was the British "ran through the briars and the bushes."

Nothing of politics is safe from his caustic wit.

The diversity of his material ranged from the scandal involving Sen. Ted Kennedy's pants or their lack to President Bush's "read my lips" slogan.

With pursed lips, Russell exaggeratedly emphasized each word of the phrase Bush made famous.

As the laughter died down, Russell tightened his lips, barely moving his mouth and between clenched teeth, demonstrated an impression of the President telling taxpayers that there will be new taxes after all.

Russell's humor, bordering on the ribald, pokes fun at people who take themselves too seriously.

His effectiveness lies in his ability to see the whole picture, put things in proper perspective and elicit laughter about that which may not at first glance appear to be laughable.

Author explains codependency

Codependency, a fairly new topic, is at the center of many self-help and 12-step programs today.

In her book, "Facing Codependence," Pia Mellody discusses codependence symptoms and effects and advises on moving toward recovery.

Codependents have difficulty in self-esteem, taking care of their adult needs and wants and experiencing and expressing their reality

moderately, Mellody said.

These symptoms sabotage the codependents' lives and relationships in several ways, Mellody says. Codependents try to control others' behavior, feel a need to get even or punish someone for perceived blows to their self-esteem, have distorted or nonexistent spirituality, avoid reality and use addictions or physical or mental illness to avoid facing what is going on in one's life. Mellody calls

these "secondary symptoms," because each results from a primary symptom of the disease.

"While the primary symptoms affect codependents internally, the secondary symptoms affect their relationships with others," she says.

Mellody stresses that a person cannot recover without outside help, such as a counselor or a 12-step program such as in used in treating alcoholism and drug abuse.

Spring Semester Exam Schedule

EXAMS BEGIN	TEST TIME	DAYS	CLASS TIME	PLACE
Thursday, May 2	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	H	5:35 p.m., 6 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	H	7 p.m.	Regular
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	TH	8:25 p.m.	classrooms
Monday, May 6	7 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.	MWF	7 a.m.	
	9 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.	MWF	8 a.m.	Regular
	11 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.	MWF	9 a.m.	classrooms
	1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.	MWF	10 a.m.	
	3 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.	MWF	11 a.m.	
	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	M	5:35 p.m., 6 p.m.	
	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	MW	5:35 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	M	7 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	MW	7 p.m.	
Tuesday, May 7	7 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.	TH	7 a.m.	
	9 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.	TH	8:25 a.m.	Regular
	11 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.	TH	9:50 a.m.	classrooms
	1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.	TH	11:15 a.m.	
	3 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.	TH	12:40 p.m.	
	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	T	5:35 p.m., 6 p.m.	
	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	TH	5:35 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	T	7 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	TH	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 8	8 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.	MWF	12 p.m.	
	10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	MWF	1 p.m.	Regular
	1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.	MWF	2 p.m.	classrooms
	3 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.	TH	2:05 p.m.	
	5:35 p.m. - 7:25 p.m.	W	5:35 p.m., 6 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	W	7 p.m.	
	7:35 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.	MW	8:25 p.m.	
Thursday, May 9	8 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.	MWF	3 p.m.	Regular
	10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	TH	3:30 p.m.	classrooms

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, May 3, 4 and 5 -- All weekend classes will have exams during regularly scheduled classtimes in regular classrooms.

All exams will be held at scheduled time and place unless a change is approved by the appropriate dean.

Business majors lead Junior Achievement

Bright orange nameplates glitter in the room with bright young faces gleaming behind them. Small children with hands held high beg to answer questions about such complex topics as propaganda, truth in advertising and sales techniques. This is Junior Achievement.

Three years ago, Tyler Junior College began its involvement with the Tyler area Junior Achievement

of fifth grade students. The homeroom teacher and by Jim Guay, JA executive director in Tyler evaluate all performances.

"We are very selective about our volunteers," LaGregs said. "We are looking for quality students with good communication and preparation skills."

Each presentation is already scripted and JA provides all materials such as pens, nameplates and posters, LaGregs said.

The representative gives the presentation, asks questions and involves the students in decision making. The homeroom teacher is there to insure attentiveness and to evaluate the student teachers.

The response has been good, LaGregs said.

"Anytime you can come into a classroom and bring in new and different materials, the teachers love it," LaGregs said. "They know the kids need something new and different."

The TJC representatives cover the southern half of Tyler, visiting about five schools in both the fall and spring semesters. Texas College students visit schools in north Tyler.

TJC students in the program are: Vickie Cyphers, Mary Lewis, Cheryl Phinny and Bill Schroeder at Andy Woods Elementary; Bill Damuth II, William Parker and Gina Pollard at Clarkston Elementary; Terry Glidewell and Lisa Schulz at T.K.Gorman Elementary; Kathryn McCollum at Birdwell Elementary and Mark Rooney at All Saints Elementary.

TJC's involvement in Junior Achievement goes beyond student involvement. President Raymond M. Hawkins serves on the Junior Achievement of Greater Tyler Board of Directors as does TJC Trustee Dr. Jim Vaughn.

program. This year, 13 TJC students are involved in educating young students in the basics of business.

All students are business majors enrolled in sophomore managerial accounting (BUS 224) under the direction of Business Instructor Jay LaGregs, the on-campus contact for Junior Achievement.

"We use only the last semester sophomores because they have the most experience," LaGregs said.

The students are strictly volunteers, but they receive extra credit upon evaluation. Each student presents four programs: business organizations, management, production and marketing and advertising to a class

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Who's Who selects 41 students

TJC students will be well-represented in "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges," which recognizes outstanding junior college leaders in the United States.

The program recognizes students who achieve academic excellence on a national level. Fourteen hundred institutions of higher learning across the country participate.

Students cannot campaign for recognition. Faculty and sponsors of extra-curricular organizations nominate students. Nominees must have a B average, be a candidate for graduation, be campus and social leaders, cooperate in education and extra-curricular activities and demonstrate promise of future value to society.

The nominating faculty member

must provide a short resume on the students referred, including activities, awards and achievements.

TJC has 41 students who will be recognized in the 1991 Who's Who publication. They are: Tonya Pack Adams, Julie Beth Berkhouse, Cindy Boyd, Kim L. Brown, Carol Castleberry, Gregory Franklin Clark, Susan K. Cole, Sheree Denise Crawford, Michael Paul Creech, Angela Dornier, Stephanie Ann Eikner, Lanita Ewers, Kendra Fazzio, Amy J. Gifford and Alexander Bruce Gimble.

Others are: Lisa Helene Graham, Rebecca Jordan Green, Linda Harrison, Bryan Dwayne Herrin, Ted Johnson, Kari Kuenemann, Wendi R. Lee, Kristie Roxanne Lowe, Shannan Marcontell, Sharon D. McNally,

Karyn Mears, Juan Medrano, Sarah M. Norris, Benjamin Scott Petty and Cheryl Lynn Phinny.

Also recognized are: Rachel Elizabeth Pierce, E. Jason Rahe, Deborah Ravenhill, Tracey Ripley, Paige Schwinn, Angela Michelle Taylor, Steven Lee Tramble, Lisa Warren, Shari Wilson, John Kevin Yochum and Margaret R. Young.

Instructional Administration Dean Jerry L. Leard said it is difficult for students to be nominated. Chosen through the demanding screening process, successful nominees are truly outstanding citizens as well as outstanding students, he said.

"The 1991 publication will be available in the library when it is published," Leard said.

Campus Briefs

PALS sign-up ends today

Students with the right qualifications who are looking for part-time summer jobs can find one on campus just by being a PAL.

PALS, or Peer Advising Leadership Staff members, are TJC students who assist with summer orientation.

The program was formed to help incoming students feel at ease about starting college, Orientation Director Dr. Alan Barnes said.

Tasks performed by PALS include: guiding students around campus to help familiarize them with surroundings, assisting test personnel during placement testing, and helping students register by explaining how to use a class schedule, select classes and complete the process.

Faculty will choose the PALS, according to grade point average and the number of sessions the applicant can work.

"This is a great part-time job," Barnes said.

PALS are paid minimum wage and receive good experience.

Those interested can pick up an application in the counseling center and return it to Barnes no later than today.

Plasma donations needed

Stewart Blood Center is encouraging blood donors to donate blood plasma for bone marrow transplants.

HCA (histocompatible antigen) typing is a test done on the white blood cells to determine if the donor's bone marrow is compatible with the recipient.

The procedure is as simple as taking a couple of tubes of blood," Staff Technician Curt Jordan said.

"Cost for typing is \$75. We raise money for those who cannot afford the cost. Their name is put on a list," Jordan said.

If the donors HCA matches the recipients, a bone marrow transplant is done. This procedure is similar to a blood transfusion.

The odds of a match are one in 20,000. That is the reason more donors are needed, Jordan said.

"So far we have had one person's HCA match," he added.

For more information call 535-5400.

Horticulturists sell plants

The Horticulture Club sponsored a plant sale recently at the Regional Training and Development Complex.

"We sold bedding plants, tropical house plants, vegetable plants and flower pot plants," Historian Marian Rogers said.

Prices were comparable to other florist retailers in the area, she said.

Some plants were bought wholesale and sold at the same price and club members grew others.

"This is an annual event, but this is the first we hosted at the RTDC," she said.

Intern applications available

Applications are available for the Dow Jones Newspaper Fund's 1991 Minority Reporting Intern Scholarship Competition for College Sophomores. All applications must be postmarked no later than Sept. 3.

Twenty scholarships for \$1,000 each will be awarded to students who are entering their junior year of college. To be eligible, students must have received a salary working as a reporting intern at a daily newspaper during the fall, spring or summer terms and must be a minority.

In addition to the application, students must submit a resume, a typed list of their college courses, three newspaper clippings and an essay explaining what they learned during the internship.

The Dow Jones Newspaper Fund, a nonprofit foundation supported by the Dow Jones Foundation and other newspaper companies, encourages young people to pursue careers in journalism.

Applications can be obtained from: Journalism Program Director Linda Zeigler in Potter Hall 204.

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Journalism director tours USSR, studies news operations, universities

By STEVE DODSON
staff writer

Fifty red bandanas and 250 yellow roses of Texas adorn Soviet citizens now. Linda K. Zeigler, director of journalism and student publications, distributed the gifts in visits to four Russian cities on a 14-day trip spanning spring break.

Zeigler was in a delegation of 24 journalism educators and journalists who were among the first American social scientists to visit Russia. They came from 22 colleges and universities and businesses in 23 states. Zeigler was the only Texan and one of three community college teachers in the group.

A private company called "People to People" coordinated the trip. Begun in the 1950s by the Eisenhower administration as a government organization to provide interchange between nations, People to People has sent doctors, engineers and technicians, but has just begun sending social scientists to the United Soviet Socialist Republic.

The group toured the Soviet cities of Leningrad, Kiev, Minsk and Moscow, observing daily activities of 10 newspapers, two magazines, an information agency and a television-radio station. The group also visited with journalism faculty and students in four universities.

Zeigler returned to the United States completely overwhelmed by her insight into another culture.

"It was one of the most remarkable experiences in my life," she said. "I felt so fortunate to see what I did of an extremely fragile society in the midst of such dramatic social change. The present social system in the Soviet Union is deteriorating so rapidly that

you wonder how people make it from day to day. It is a desperate situation."

While Zeigler was in the Soviet Union prices doubled and tripled. Though her group ate well, food is in short supply for the populace.

In a grocery store in Minsk, the group found only potatoes, beets, apples, cabbages, mushrooms, fat salt pork and sauerkraut for sale.

"Numerous small shops, called kiosks, sell ice cream, sweets and such. But when they run out of their daily or weekly supply, there is no more," Zeigler said. "I bought the last ice cream one day; others in line behind me were turned away."

She celebrated a birthday while in Moscow; her companions bought her a birthday cake, ordered just after the price change.

"It was going to cost \$100 U.S. dollars at one bakery, and, though a cake was finally obtained for less, I do not want to know what it cost," she said.

Zeigler said many people in Russia speak English, so it is possible to communicate with almost any young person. Students are required to learn Russian and English first, plus another foreign language.

At the universities, Zeigler gave students and faculty copies of the TJC News, TJC Touchstone magazine and the TJC viewbook. She handed out red bandanas, TJC keyrings and small embroidered yellow roses from the city of Tyler to those she met everywhere, including a Marine from College Station at the Moscow Airport.

"He was thrilled to see a fellow Texan even though I was wearing my UT sweatshirt," Zeigler said.

"All of the students were extremely excited and enthusiastic about our visit," she said. "And they were curious about life in the United States. They'd like to come here as exchange students."

Zeigler said the campuses she saw are within a comparable range to American schools. At age 13 students take a test, which determines if they will be allowed to go on to college. Those who pass get stipends to help fund their studies.

Living conditions in the cities the group visited are far below average by most American standards, Zeigler said.

"Though I saw a few small private homes in Kiev, most people live in huge, drab, gray concrete high-rise apartment buildings, which starkly contrast with the elegant palaces and other buildings left from the time when the Czars ruled Russia," she said.

Families of two or three generations share a two-room apartment and, when young couples marry, they live with one set of parents.

"In many places we saw small balconies being enclosed to provide additional living space," she said.

A family must wait as long as 15 years to obtain an apartment of their own, and up to the same amount of time to purchase an automobile.

She did not observe any social or class differentiation between Communist Party members and non-party members. In fact, it soon seemed unimportant whether person's were members or not. It is mostly a factor of age — those over 50 are likely to belong; younger people are less so.

Of the present political situation, she said most people feel that Gor-

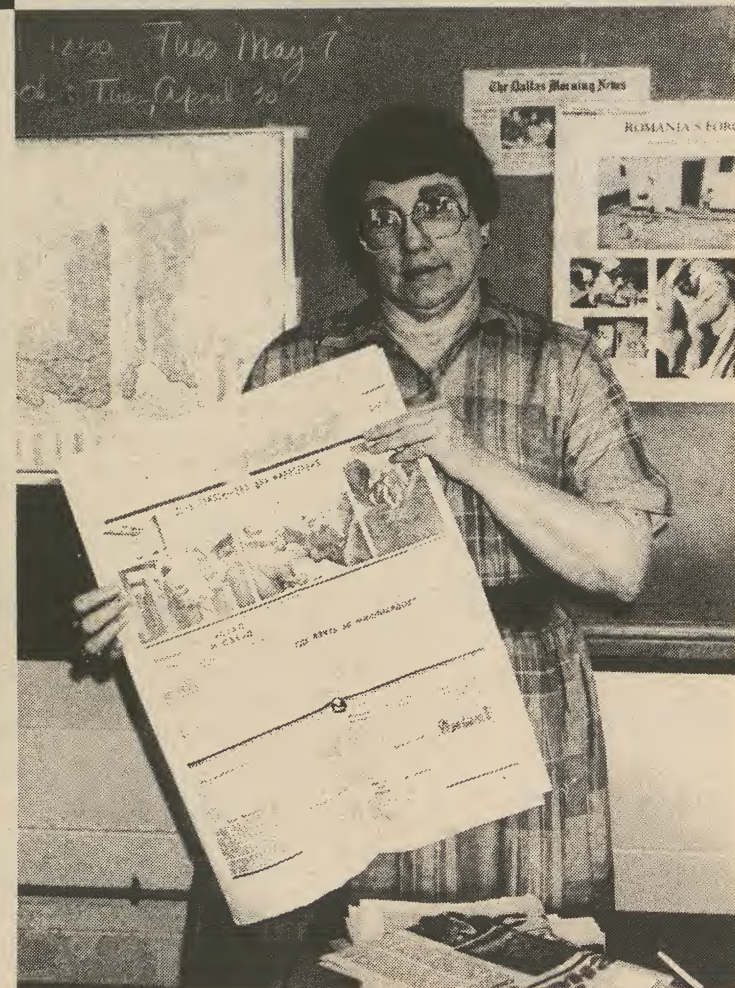


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SOVIET NEWS--Journalism Program Director Linda Zeigler showed copies of Soviet newspapers and magazines to students in journalism classes this week. Zeigler was part of a People to People delegation which toured 10 newspapers, two magazines, an information agency and a television-radio station. They found many independent newspapers springing up in each Soviet city.

bachev's day in office is about over, and that Boris Yeltsin will succeed him. She said many Soviets fear Yeltsin, formerly head of the KGB.

Technology, except for fax machines, is that of about 1910. Shopkeepers use an abacus instead of a calculator, and even in hotels the maids use brooms made of twigs.

But when a member of her group became ill, he was much impressed

with the immediate, up-to-date medical attention he received. The services were free, including faxing medical reports from his doctor in the United States.

"One of the most wonderful aspects of the trip was the remarkable warmth and openness that the Russian people showed us," Zeigler said.

"I'd like to go again someday," she added.

Phinny makes 1st Academic All-American team

Cheryl Phinny has made the team. The sophomore accounting major was named to the first Academic All-American Team for community, technical and junior college students.

"Phinny is one of the 20 team members selected from across the country. She will receive a trophy and a \$2,500 cash award," Public Information Director Betty Nelson said.

Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges, co-sponsored the Academic All-American Team with USA Today and the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

The winners were announced April 15 in an article in USA Today. Team members appeared on CBS "This Morning."

"The issue of USA Today also included a front page article with the headline '2-year Colleges Boom,'" Nelson said.

USA Today President Tom Curley announced Phinny's selection at the AACJC convention in Kansas City, Kansas.

"Outstanding academic talent is not confined to four-year colleges. This expands our commitment to recognize and to encourage scholarly achievement anywhere," Curley said.

"College presidents at more than 1,000 two-year institutions in all 50 states and Guam were asked to nominate one outstanding student to represent their college in the competition," Nelson said.

A panel of judges evaluated each student's academic and extracurricular

accomplishments, faculty recommendations, presidential nominations and personal essays.

'To be selected one of 20 from more than 1,000 nominees speaks well of Cheryl's achievements. She is an outstanding student and person,' TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins said.

"TJC is extremely proud of Phinny and this significant honor. To be selected one of 20 from more than 1,000 nominees speaks well of Cheryl's achievements. She is an outstanding student and person," TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins said.

At TJC Phinny received the Robert M. Rogers Presidential Scholarship and maintains a 4.0 grade point

average.

"When Cheryl's outside activities are considered, her academic record becomes all the more impressive. She plays the piano for Harmony and Understanding Show Choir and the Chamber Singers," Judy Turman, Phi Theta Kappa adviser,

said.

"As president of Phi Theta Kappa, Phinny has taken an active role by organizing canned food drives and voter registration drives," Nelson said.

Phinny recently attended the Phi Theta Kappa convention in San Francisco.

"It has been great pleasure for me to come to know and work with Cheryl Phinny during this past year. She is one of the most outstanding students I've come in contact with in over 20 years of teaching," Turman said.

"The greatest compliment I can pay her is to say she is a combination of the four main goals of Phi Theta Kappa: scholarship, service, leadership and brother-hood," Turman said.

Geological Society members battle nature on field trip

By DIXIE SCHAIBERGER
staff writer

The Geological Society tested survival techniques for driving in deep water on a trip to Fair Park Natural History Museum in Dallas and the Museum of Science and History in Fort Worth.

They camped in soggy, post-downpour conditions and looked for fossils in creek beds, at road cuts and Dinosaur State Park and toured the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant near Glen Rose. They learned about construction and safety precautions for safe production of nuclear power.

Geology Instructor Marsha Layton, Le'Anne and Robbie Layton, Eddie Harmon, David Davenport, Dixie Schaitberger, George Anne Stiles, "Aunt Bea" Stiles, Keith German, Club President Carole Ruescher, Frank and Lana Halpin and Phillip Rainer.

The Fair Park Museum houses a display of mammals, fossils and rocks, including cougars and bobcats, birds, wolves and coyotes, beaver and muskrats.

There were skeletons of several dinosaurs, including a huge mammoth and some marine dinosaurs. Also on display were casts of dinosaur footprints and rocks of all kinds including everything from local specimens to a meteor from space.

After touring the Fair Park Museum, the group went out to a somewhat brighter day and drained streets and headed for the Museum of Science and History in Fort Worth. They saw a fossil exhibit from the La

Brea Tar Pits in California in Fort Worth.

Fossils of mammals dating back to the Pleistocene Epoch two million years ago have been found in the tar pit. The pit has provided hundreds of well-preserved specimens and the exhibit has a broad example of the types of animals which lived around it.

Among the complete skeletons on display is an extinct American Lion almost twice the size of today's

There the students were able to view the topography and see firsthand the layering of the soils they had studied in class.

At a roadcut where the students collected fossils, including mostly rudists, cone-shaped clams.

Dinosaur State Park is widely known for the exposures of dinosaur tracks being unearthed by erosion in the Paluxy River. The group was fortunate enough to be among the

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The film "The Great Barrier Reef" at the Omni Theater in the Museum describes the fragile reef life and threats humans pose to it.

In a creek bed near Layton's childhood home, students found perfect echinoids, heart-shaped sea urchins.

"I found all three in one spot. The best one was down by my foot in the water," Eddie Harmon said.

They also found ammonites, snails and clams.

The next stop was the Chalk Mountain Overlook near Glen Rose.

first to see new tracks dating back millions of years which were unearthed by the previous day's floods.

Comanche Peak, a source of history and Indian legends, is now the location of a large nuclear power plant. The plant has two domes, and when both are on-line they will provide enough power for a city the size of Dallas.

The students viewed a display at the center which included models of the reinforced concrete walls of the domes, imitation fuel pellets, films on the creation and controlled production of nuclear power and explanations of the hazards and storage of the waste material.

In the Control Room Simulator



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LAND OF THE LOST--Geological Society members saw many dinosaur displays on their recent trip to the Fair Park Natural History Museum in Dallas and the Museum of Science and History in Fort Worth.

they saw how reactor operators are trained.

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typical personal computer. It can imitate both normal plant operations and "make believe" abnormal conditions. It can also be backed up and rerun like a video, to help operators review their reactions and decisions.

300 students register for Job Fair

Three hundred TJC students registered for the Job Fair, Booker T. Harlan, career development and placement director, said.

"Although it was the first year held on campus, the turnout was very successful and plans are being made to hold the Job Fair as an annual event," Harlan said.

The Job Fair made job openings available, set up interviews and helped with resumes.

Students can be better prepared before an interview by working through the placement center, Harlan said.

KLTV and local radio stations covered the fair.

At the fair, tables and booths were set-up with pamphlets, pictures and videos for students recruiting, Harlan.

Carl Perkins Federal Grant Fund for vocational and technical students funded the fair.

Fifty companies participated in

the Job Fair: International Business Machines, Texas Instruments, Inc., Texas Department of Human Services, Baker Tank Company/Altech, Restaurant Management Company, United States Post Office, Kelly Springfield Tire Company, Texas Eastman Company, Aetna Employee Benefits Division, KETK-TV and the Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

Others included: Texas Department of Corrections, Brookshires Grocery Warehouse, Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas Department of Public Safety, Kinney Shoes, Gibraltar Chemical Resources, Southside Bank, Sears Roebuck & Company, Human Resources Department, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy Recruiting Station, Circle J.T., Vulcraft, Shaffer Financial Group, Champs Sport, Denton Fire Department and Mr. Gatti's Pizza.

For more information on job services, contact Harlan at 510-2390.

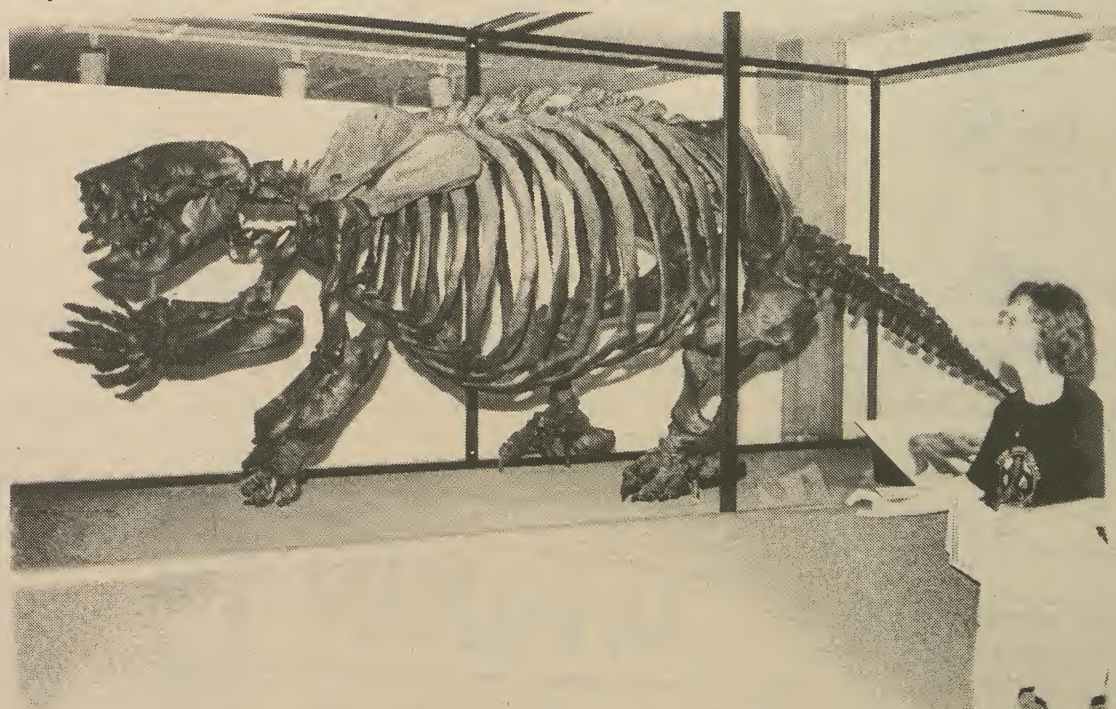


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BACK IN TIME--Geological Society members went to the Fair Park Natural History Museum in Dallas where they saw displays of mammals, fossils and rocks, including cougars and bobcats, birds, wolves and coyotes, beaver and muskrats. Skeletons of mammoth and marine dinosaurs were also on display.

Young student seeks school board seat

Only 18 years old, TJC sophomore Shane Linehan is in her first political race.

Always a high achiever, Linehan graduated from Neches High School in the top fourth of her class when she was 16. Now she is running for a seat on the Neches school board.

Her plans after graduating from TJC in May include two years at The University of Texas at Tyler, followed by The University of Texas at Austin Law School.

"I want a future career in politics

'I want to be a representative for the kids. I was recently a high school student and I know what a student needs to get out of high school to prepare for college.'

and it's a good place to start," Linehan said of running for office.

Neches, a small town south of

Palestine, has five on the ballot running for two seats.

With the question of the school finance reform bill pending, Linehan hopes to keep the taxes lower if at all possible.

"I want to be a representative for the kids. I was recently a high school student and I know what a student needs to get out of high school to prepare for college," Linehan said.

Linehan's goals, if elected, include more funding for academics, a better foreign language program including Spanish, improved academics through U.I.L. participation, better library resources and possibly a drama department.

"U.I.L. benefited me more for preparation in college. Expanding U.I.L. would enhance speech and drama," Linehan said.

"It's just not a seat of name. It has values also. We are talking about kids' lives here," Linehan said.

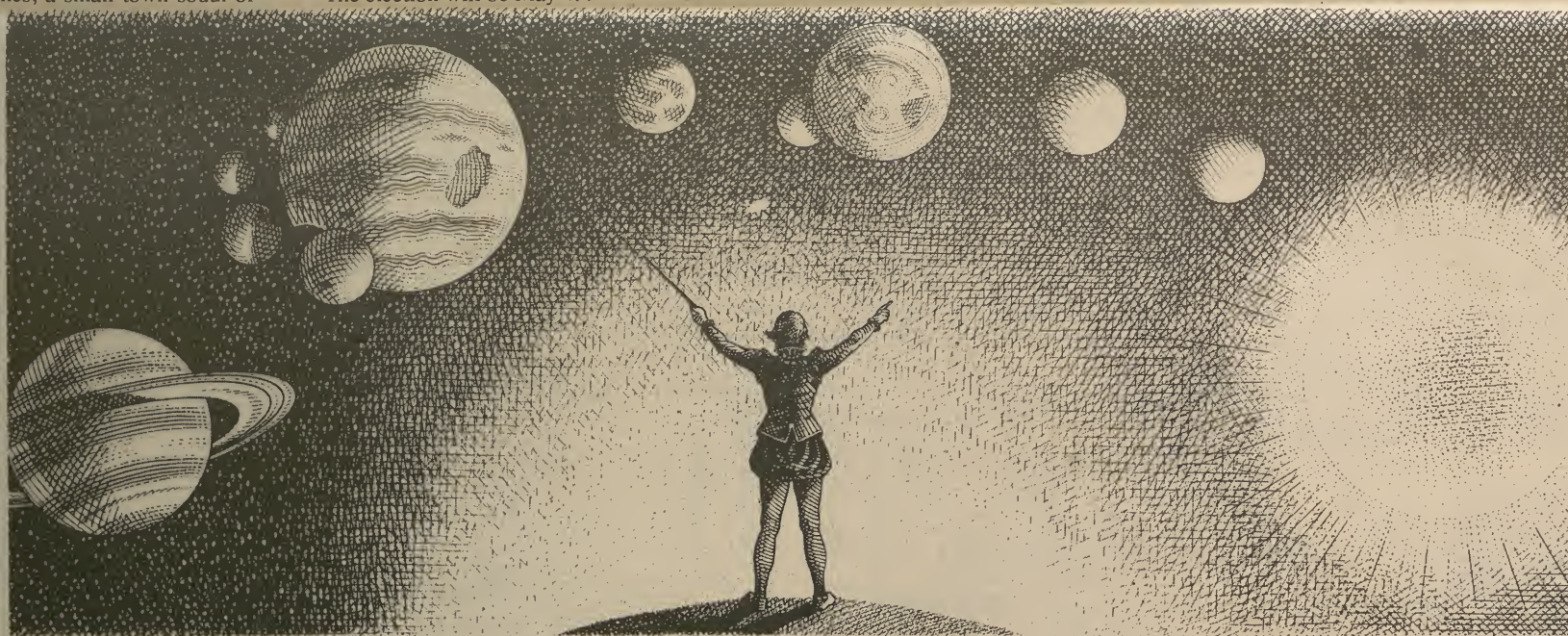
"Kids can come to me with problems easier than to someone older," Linehan said of her age advantage.

Linehan, who plans to major in criminal justice, works as a student assistant here and participates on the Forensics Team.

The election will be May 4.



TUG-O-WAR--Brian Herrin and Chris Reed display their tugging abilities for Sigma Delta Nu during Greek Week field day activities. photo by candice chase



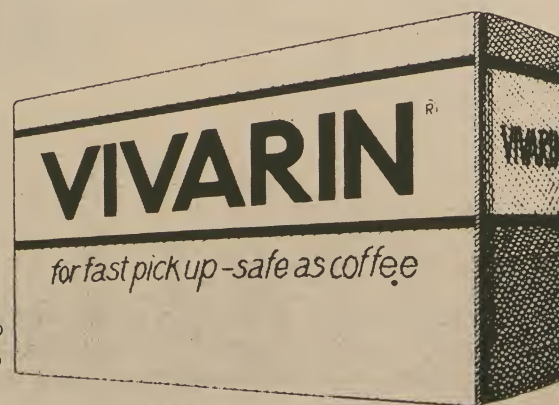
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C.D. Reviews



For the Summertime

New Releases

Joni Mitchell --- Night Ride Home:

On her latest release Mitchell offers a smaller glimpse into her private life. She's not as candid as she once was but still quite the individualist. She's ventured from Woodstock to jazz and now has come back. This is not the masterpiece many had hoped for but closer than most ever come. Mitchell's vocal stylings are unique in this technopop age and well worth a listen and a nod of appreciation. Standout track on the disc is "Ray's Dad's Cadillac."

Rolling Stones --- Flashpoint:

This latest release from rock's venerable bad boys does nothing for their claim that time is on their side. The sound quality is fine but the band's quality is lacking on this collection of hits and songs from their 1989 album "Steel Wheels" recorded live during their recent world tour. Also included for posterity's sake are two new studio takes. The single "High Wire" which deals with the ever-popular Gulf War theme is the best thing on the disc sadly enough. The disc lacks the energy of the live performance. The auditory experience is, unfortunately, not enough.

Not that all of the Stones' live recordings are bad, "Get Yer Ya Ya's Out" is one example of a very listenable concert disc. "Flashpoint" is just not listenable. Mick Jagger, legendary big-lipped frontman, sounds a little strained and even old. A more enjoyable time can be had by buying a compilation disc (ie. "Hot Rocks 1964-1971"), turning out the lights and blasting it on your stereo as loud as possible until the neighbors complain. Now that's entertainment.

Various Artists --- Tame Yourself

A new album released by the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, features an assortment of artists expressing their views musically on the state of animal life today. This could have been interesting,

but instead, most tracks are irritating and preachy. With such artists as Belinda Carlisle and Erasure, the listener expects something more exciting or inviting, but instead gets liberal views not expressed tactfully.

Good tracks include the B-52's live version of "Quiche Lorraine," and ex-Go-Go, Jane Weidlin's "Fur." Both are old tracks, which may explain why they stand out. The new tracks seem hurriedly done. One interesting track is from Aleka's Attic, River Phoenix's band. Profits from the album benefit PETA, an organization to stop animal cruelty. Don't be cruel to yourself. Resist this album.

Jane's Addiction --- Ritual De lo Habitual

No microscope is required to find something to hate about this one. The band has slowly evolved into, as Rolling Stone put it, lead singer Perry Farrell's biggest art project. This disc reflects the perspective of someone for whom music is only a part of the plan. And that makes this disc a mixed bag of tricks.

This band has run into so many problems with video channels and record chain decency boards -- the cover to their first major label release "Nothing's Shocking" was (as was this latest cover attempt) refused by many retailers due to its nudity and overall "graphicness" and MTV rejected their video "Soul Kiss."

In "Ritual" prevailing themes are free love, speech and thought. Except for Farrell's sometimes crushing, sometimes lucid essay included in the liner notes, his complaints tend to be expressed as crowd-chants -- ("Ain't no wrong/Ain't no right") -- and mischievous little vignettes. "Been Caught Stealing" takes delight in shoplifting shirts and razors. Occasionally Farrell will latch onto an interesting idea, but his imagery has the cohesion of a breathless high-schooler. "Ritual" is full of the good, the bad, and the dreadful. They just miss the classic riff, the perfect hit and the great idea. One gets the funny idea they weren't aiming.

Sting --- Soul Cages:

A euphonic blend of conscience-heightening storytelling and dark cynicism

combined with wee bit o' the Irish influence., most of the tunes equate the turbulence of life with the uncertainty of the waves of devastating seas. Tracks like "Wild, Wild Sea" include melancholy Humberg pipes and mellow soprano sax rips to signify the action of a lonely ship being tossed helplessly about the open sea.

Many of Sting's messages are rather bleak. Several tracks deal with some poor schmuck who winds up bobbing on an ocean alone and unappreciated, much as he had bobbed through life. Sting also incorporates memories of his father into his works.

In the widely released track "All This Time" and in "Wild, Wild Sea" the father figure he sings about is usually depicted as a source of wisdom and experience. He's also usually dead or dying, but the point of knowledge through experience and hardship still comes through loud and clear.

The title track "Soul Cages" is a little more upbeat in philosophically, but its banal, monotonous backbeat and Sting's tendency to pontificate in that gravelly tone of his may incite the listener to mutter, "Okay Sting ... we GET the message."

The title track aside, the rest of the tunes on "Soul Cages" are soft, psyche soothing pieces that really do unfold as beautiful stories. The poetry is really quite remarkable and may be a pleasant change for people who still actually listen to the words and the melodies of songs these days.

"Mad About You" is an interesting track that weaves the tale of David and Bathsheba in a melodic and tasteful way. He incorporates a timely message about obsessive love without beating the listener over the head with tired cliches and bombast. For acoustic guitar fans there's the up tempo instrumental "St. Agnes and the Burning Train" which may sound like some part of a Zorro flick to others.

Grateful Dead still on the road

By BEN LONG
staff writer

Atlanta, Ga. will be as close as the "magical" band, the Grateful Dead, will come to Tyler, but some students feel that it is worth it to drive 16 hours to catch the concert.

Fans of the Grateful Dead, or as they are more affectionately known, Deadheads, follow the band across the country traveling from show to show supporting themselves by selling anything from tie-dyed T-shirts to food to jewelry.

Each show lasts a couple of hours or so, depending on Jerry Garcia's guitar solos, but the real action is in the parking lots before, during and after the shows. For every concert in each new town, Deadheads set up a mini-carnival where they hawk their wares and trade memorabilia. Some people go strictly for the parking lot action, never intending to see the shows at all.

Bootleg tapes of the band are among the favorites traded. They are collected and traded like baseball cards. Bootlegging the bands music is legal and encouraged. Garcia has long maintained that once he has recorded the music it belongs to the fans. Special sections are reserved for people with the equipment and know-how to record, remix and redistribute the music. Only the band can sell the tapes, but they can be traded or given away as gifts. Many trade recorded tapes for blanks to record the next show.

It is difficult to find bootlegs in East Texas because the band rarely comes into the area. The tapes are a rare treasure among fans here because they are so difficult to acquire.

Students follow the "Dead" during spring and summer break. Spring break is a good time to catch the band because of the close proximity and the intensity of the shows. School quickly resumes and travel time is cut short. During the summer everyone comes out in full force to catch the rest of the shows. Kids hit the road and travel west to California and then back to the show nearest their schools.

The "Dead" seldom make it to Texas: The attitude in Texas is not tolerant enough for frequent Grateful Dead shows. They have played Dallas a few times (most recently in 1988) and Austin, several years ago. With all the trouble they have had in the past with venues in California they find it more difficult to arrange them in Texas.

The last time the "Dead" performed in Texas was two years ago, and it will probably be another two years before they return.

Campus Briefs

Students elect officers

Student Senate President is Jason Caldwell, Vice President is Sally A. Smith and Secretary is Wendy Wilbanks. They were elected in recent vote in the Student Center.

Sophomore class President is Jonas Estes, Vice President is Tami Ashling and Secretary is Johnnie Guthrie.

Sophomore Senators are : Kelvin Clemons, Jermaine Dagget, Joe Gardy John Marshall, Thai Montgomery, Lisa Smith and Paula Trapp.

"I want students to tell me their opinions," Sophomore President Jonas Estes said. "This is a personal thing for me".

Communication between the Student Senate and the students is no good, he said.

"As Freshman Vice President last year, I stressed I was for the people and I still stress that," Estes said.

"A lot of students did not know the elections were taking place, and they did not vote," he said. "I have a lot of ideas to help the voting problem and I will bring them up next school year," he said.

The race for Student Senate President between Jason Caldwell and Thai Montgomery was close, Estes said.

Dancefest to show Friday

TJC will present Dancefest at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 3, in Wise Auditorium.

More than 150 dancers will performing in ballet, modern dance, jazz and tap routines will be featured. In addition, original choreography by Dance Instructors Kathy Senger and Candy Crocker Jordan as well as students will be showcased.

The program is free and open to the public.

More information may be obtained by calling the TJC Information Line, 903/510-2249.

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Beauty, Beast race draws riders

The fifth Beauty and the Beast bicycle race was sponsored by East Texas Medical Center and the Tyler Bicycle Club early this month. The race began at Harvey Convention Center.

The race was divided into two categories: a road race and the tour, Public Relations Associate Dorian Jentsch said.

The top 25 finishers shared a \$3,000 prize list. J.W. Finn's Restaurant provided a free dinner for registered riders.

Registered riders receive souvenir Beauty and the Beast T-shirts plus other mementoes.

Drawings were held throughout the day for riding gear and other items.

"Those participating in the tour had a choice of a 6.2 mile race called

the Azalea Route, 25, 50, 62 and 100 mile routes," Jentsch said.

To participate in the race, the contestants had to be registered with the United States Cycling Federation, she said. They were categorized according to experience.

A staggered mass start according to distance allowed the most experienced riders starting first at 18 miles per hour.

Sag wagons gave water, road assistance and a ride back to the fairgrounds for those who were too fatigued to finish.

East Texas Medical Center and East Texas Medical Center Emergency Medical Services personnel were on hand to help.

Rest stops located 10 to 12 miles along the routes provided water, fruit,

medical assistance and snacks.

The tour also passed several small towns where riders could purchase additional food and drinks.

Beauty and Beast included a closed course race, called a criterium.

"The criterium is a lap race on a track with a bicycle," Jentsch said. "The rider races in circles."

The criterium had seven categories: women, category 3 and 4, public, juniors, masters 35+ and pro categories 1 and 2.

The prize list was \$7000.

A free arts and crafts fair in Bergfeld Park Friday through Sunday displayed local artisans' works.

The East Texas Symphony performed and an antique fair at the historic McClendon House gave race visitors other options.

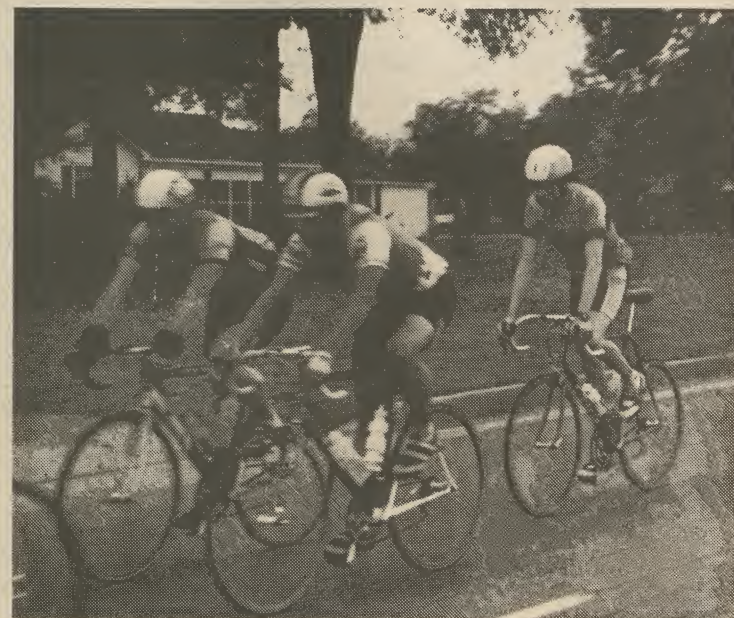


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RIDE ON--Cyclers at the fifth annual Beauty and the Beast bicycle race trudge along in a pack as the route's length begins to take its toll. The road race and tour was held April 6 at Harvey Convention Center.

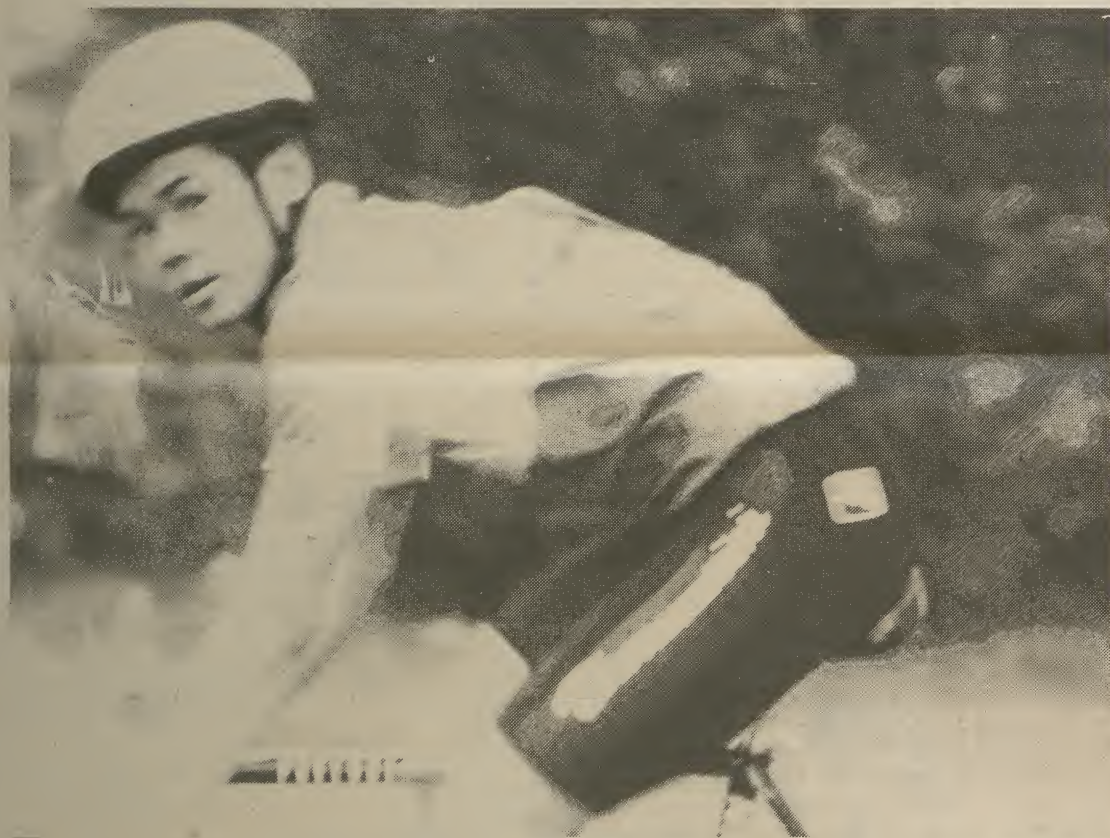


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LEADER OF THE PACK--A rider breaks from the pack at the Beauty and the Beast fifth annual bicycle race. The race, which was divided into a road race and a tour, took place April 6 at Harvey Convention center.

Baseball season back in swing

By **ROBERT JENKINS**
staff writer

The boys of summer are back as major league baseball has begun again. It has been too long. Winter was hard.

Every team is still in the running as the pennant race has only just begun. In April every manager has a "real shot," and the players are, until contract negotiations resume, "ready to win and better than ever," except maybe the Reds who will contend they are just as good and will repeat last year's stellar performance.

Fans can root in earnest for their teams, thinking this is the year. It is the Cub's year, by the way. I can feel it. Thought maybe it was '89 but it's definitely '91.

The Rangers lost their opener, Monday April 7, to the mistake-laden Brewers of Milwaukee. It was a sad-denying spectacle, but, dare I say, predictable. Maybe Julio Franco will actually live up to the potential everyone talked about after '89. Maybe Juan Gonzalez will eventually be well enough to play. But don't count on the Rangers to be around come mid-October. Won't happen.

They need more money in the paycheck department to stay competitive. And who would let someone like Pete Incaviglia go just for the hell of it? They could have used him on the bench in the opener. They'll be sorry he's gone, if not now, before the season is over. Look how he is doing in Detroit.

But fans should still take an afternoon off, buy some cheap \$5 bleacher seats and hot dogs, yell at the ump's and cheer for the Rangers, no matter how poorly they may fare. A Nolan Ryan game is a real treat no matter what the final score, just seeing someone enjoy relative old age that much.

TJC needs a baseball team, a respectable little baseball team, not to play the likes of U.T. Austin.

Just for morale, it would be good to have a team to sit in the stands and cheer for, a team that could inspire people to stand and possibly even sing during the seventh inning stretch. A good old fashioned baseball team.

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